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Edgewood CB Center Hosts Discovery Day for Employees

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Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. – On Wednesday, October 23, 2002, the leadership of the Edgewood Chemical Biological Center (ECBC) held a day of tours and demonstrations exclusively for its employees as a way of expressing thanks for the continued efforts of the workforce. Known as Discovery Day, the day-long event allowed personnel from across the organization to learn about other mission areas within ECBC.

Over the past year, ECBC has conducted numerous tours for visiting dignitaries ranging from Secretary of the Army Thomas White to U.S. Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md. By offering that same VIP treatment to ECBC personnel, Discovery Day recognized ECBC employees as responsible for the Center's well-deserved reputation for excellence and expertise in the areas of chemical and biological defense of this nation.

"This day has been an opportunity to tour a sampling of the many extraordinary projects underway here at ECBC," said ECBC Technical Director Jim Zarzycki. "Many of our capabilities demonstrated have already played a pivotal role in our nation's homeland defense."

Discovery Day is part of ECBC's ongoing 85th Anniversary celebration, marking 85 years of providing chemical and biological solutions in defense of our nation. Previous events saluting ECBC's employees included the Federal Women's Program ceremony in August 2002, the Past Women of ECBC event—marking the contributions of women to the organization from its beginning to today—and Intern Day, which recognized ECBC's newest employees.

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